

## The Weekly Ledger

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Subscribers to the Weekly Ledger will please examine the date after their names on margin of the Ledger and govern themselves accordingly. The Mexico Weekly Ledger is \$1.00 per year, paid in advance. If you don't pay in advance don't blame the Ledger for not having notified you.

SOUTH DAKOTA's exhibits for the World's Fair have all arrived at St. Louis.

The Kaiser's own band from Germany will fill an engagement at the World's Fair.

PHILADELPHIA has a \$20,000 model of its water filter system as an exhibit at the World's Fair.

THAT the Mormons are trying to capture Idaho is a fact more important to Americans than conditions at Port Arthur.

SOME of the politicians who claim to know it all don't appear to the Ledger as having much sense as the average free trimmer.

A miniature house, completely furnished, each place carved with a pocket knife, the work of a St. Joseph, Mo., teamster, will be exhibited at the World's Fair.

THERE is no use of any bitterness over the race for governor in Audrain county, as that matter will be settled before the Democrats of this county have a chance to vote.

By holding a toothpick in his mouth habitually a man has acquired cancer. The opinion that some penalty should be attached to this practice prevails generally, but cancer seems severe.

EDWIN SILVER, brother of Mrs. Wm. Treloar, of this city, has been nominated by the Democrats of Cole County for the legislature. The Democrats of Cole have shown good judgment in selecting Mr. Silver to head the ticket.

ONE of the unique features of Supt. Carrington's forthcoming report is a complete history of big game educationally 1875 to 1876 with comments from several men now living, who had much to do with the schools between 1870 and 1880.

PROF. GEO. A. ROSS, vice president of Hardin College, knows a good thing when he sees it and is buying Mexico real estate. He has bought a line lot for \$500 and will erect a nice home. You can make no mistake in buying Audrain and Mexico dirt.

MRS. A. B. DANIEL, who was buried in Mexico Monday, formerly made her home here and was one of Audrain's early settlers, much beloved and highly respected by all who knew her, having raised a large family, who are active and influential in the communities where they live.

THERE are, perhaps, 9000 school boards in the State who perform the duty enjoined on them to keep the school house in good repair. The other 1000 do not fully appreciate the responsibility and their school houses are wholly unfit for school use. No teacher should agree to teach in a dilapidated, uncomfortable house.

THE State Teacher's Association declared in favor of a law fixing minimum salary for teachers and of a fixed income for all State normal institutions. It is recommended summer schools, county teachers' Association and the effort to have a school exhibit representative of every county and of all classes of schools.

A certificate to teach may be revoked for incompetency, immorality or neglect of duty. The certificate states that the holder was of good moral character and competent to teach at the time it was issued. The commissioner cannot revoke for acts, practices and omissions of duty prior to date of the issue of the certificate. All matter of proper inquiry must have transpired after its issue.

THE Index, Marshall, Mo., thinks their pastor was more diplomatic in his method of asking the ladies at a church service to remove their hats than the church board at Ottawa, Kansas, which simply ordered the ladies to remove them. The Marshall minister asked the ladies to remove their hats; excepting those having on dollar hats which he said he knew were difficult to remove. There were no dollar hats.

THE Louisiana, Mo., Press editorially says: "Representative Champ Clark has introduced a bill reducing

the import duty on common salt in any form, barbed or woven wire for fencing, barbed wire, logs of sawed timber, white paper, wood pulp or any of the inventions used in the manufacture of white paper. The measure prohibits the collection of a duty of more than 50 percent of that which it is now lawful to collect. Such a bill would give relief to the burdened people but it will never pass this trust-ridden congress."

THE Missouri Press Association will meet in the Missouri Building at the World's Fair on the afternoon of May 17. John M. Sorey, the Recording Secretary, announces the following programme: Address in behalf of the Missouri World's Fair Commission, Judge J. H. Hawthorne, address in behalf of the Louisiana Purchase Exposition, David R. Francis, address for the State, Governor A. M. Dockery, annual address, President T. T. Wilson, of Tarkio. On the evening of May 17 a reception will be given in the Missouri Building under the auspices of the Missouri Commission. Newspaper men who have not joined the association should correspond with Recording Secretary R. M. White, Mexico, Mo., for details.

REFERENCE to our Representative in Congress the Philadelphia Record says: "Representative Champ Clark, of Missouri, is in no state of uncertainty as to the issue that the Democrats should put forward. It is tariff reduction with genuine reciprocity, or, in more euphemistic form, tariff for revenue only. In his speech in the House he riddled some absurd statistics that had been put forward by Mr. Hepburn, of Iowa, who had inflated last year's pig iron production about 150 percent. In order to make a sufficiently striking display of progress under a Republican administration, Mr. Hepburn also exploited that childish fallacy of his party that a reduction in the price of steel rails from \$16 to \$22 a ton was due to the present system. A school boy could have told him that one great cause of the cheapening of steel rails was the invention of the Bessemer process. If the reduction in this country be due to the tariff, what caused the reduction in England? Will Mr. Hepburn be good enough to explain? In both countries the price has been reduced since the introduction of the Bessemer process because experience and the growth of the business have made it possible to reduce costs. Will Mr. Hepburn say that the price of producing rails in this country is little if any more than half of the selling price; and that within a few months American rail makers have taken contracts to deliver rails in Syria and Canada at eight or ten dollars a ton less than they exact from American railroads? Mr. Clark rendered a further service by exposing the pretense of Mr. Dabell that the present attitude of the Republican party is in accord with the policy of President McKinley, and he also called the attention of the House to the fact that President Roosevelt had endorsed the McKinley idea of reciprocity by sending to the Senate an agreement for the extension of the time within which the reciprocity treaty with France, negotiated under Mr. McKinley's direction, was to be ratified. So the Republican party has arrayed itself against the enlightened commercial policy of both these Republican Presidents."

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THREE OPPONENTS COMBINED HAVE NOT EQUALED HIS ACTIVITY IN SPEECHMAKING THROUGHOUT STATE.

NOT RESTING ON HIS OARS.

Prosecutor Will Not Abate His Activity Until Aged Necessary 350 Votes—Whirlwind Campaign of Candidate Folk in State.

From the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Speeches delivered, 125. Average length of speeches, 90 minutes. Counties visited, 40. Territory covered, 1000 square miles. Total railroad mileage, 4000. By stage and other conveyances, 300 miles. Average rest per day of 24 hours, seven hours. Approximate cost of campaign tour, \$600. Aggregate attendance at meetings, 250,000.

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## Cottonwood Springs.

COTTONWOOD SPRINGS, April 19.—For the past two weeks we have been about half sick from various causes—mainly from the way "things" have been going in Southwest Missouri. But we still wear our Jim Reed buttons, even though it is a little disfigured and will still continue to wear it till the eleventh hour and fifty-fifth minute, and when the "great speech" has been made and we find out we are on the "wrong side," we shall walk up to the polls and vote for the nominee. We are a Democrat and don't want anyone to tell us we are not, or there will be trouble. Our Jim Reed buttons are still a little disfigured but he hopes are entertained that he will live to grow long and loud for his brilliant and brainy namesake. So we shall not give up a good cause till the eleventh hour and forty-fifth minute.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Peck entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. C. West and Mr. and Mrs. Spear, of Mexico, last Sunday at dinner.

Col. Billie Jackson recently gave us a "breeze" programme in the way of riding and driving some bucking broncos. Among some of his feats was "skinning the cat," which was intensely interesting.

The many friends of Col. Van Ness and the writer are urging us to start a paper at the Springs. If we make up our minds to do we will print a paper dealing with county affairs only, as we seem to be cutting no "figure" in State affairs. The paper will deal largely in general society news, poetry and a whole lot of local news and reading on the side.

Capt. D. J. Kanaly will probably be the owner of the famous black mountain mare, Fly by Night, which he expects to purchase of the Cliff Dwellers. This mare is said not to be shy of the steam cars.

Willard Garner is shortly to turn his carrier pigeons loose from the top of Look Out Mountain, just in the rear of the Springs.

Our handsome young friend, Gene Sullivan was out to see us a few days ago. "Gene says it's a mistake about his going into the real estate and insurance business in Mexico. We guess he is kept too busy entertaining his young lady friends."

As soon as we can "find time" and can secure space in the Ledger we shall again print the picture with write-up of the Springs. We get letters every day in regard to the picture. It was printed in the daily sometime ago, and as soon as we can get a few more facts and figures it will appear in the weekly and the LEXON's many thousands of readers can then take a look at a beautiful chromo and laugh and be happy.

Frank Williams and Jay Bennett have been passing to and fro their property, damaged by the storm. Both of these gentlemen were scared so bad that their hair "stood on end," while the storm was doing its work. Squire Williams had hair as black as a crow and Jay's was rather of the blonde type. You can now detect a few white hairs in their whiskers. It was a close call and there was something doing on that day.

Kelly Wilkerson is putting in several acres of potatoes and if the season is good Kelly will flood the markets.

The council made no mistake when they appointed P. M. Williams sexton of the city cemetery. The city of the dead is well looked after. Squire Williams is all O. K.

Don't get mad when talking politics. No true Democrat will allow his "angry passions" to get the best of him. Let us keep the faith, trust in the Lord and all will be well.

Willie Foley, of Benton City, was the guest of friends here Sunday. Col. Mike Dunn, a silver tongued orator, will address the good folks at the Springs at the grand opening, along about primary day.

James Roy Key, Clay Brown, Virgil Miller and Fay Branstetter, all good Democrats and good boys, were visitors here Sunday and seemed to enjoy their visit very much, at least we hope they did. All the boys took a peep at Jay Bennett's dogs, and Fay had his camera along and of course took their pictures, which will soon be on sale at all the book stores. The boys then went on down to the springs and took a look at the beauties of nature and dipped their bills to "their hearts content." The speech of Mr. Key, "The Last Appeal," from the grand stand was one of the most eloquent ever heard here. We were all greatly "touched" with the speech. It reminded us very much of the kind of talk that James A. Reed is now giving to the people of Western Missouri. The song that Virgil Miller gave to his hearers, brought tears to the eyes of many, and will not soon be forgotten, and even now the birds at the Springs now carry the tune. Fay was kept "very busy" "taking shots" with his machine at the large crowd present. All registered at Hotel Waverly, enjoyed the water and the ozone, heard the sweet warble of the birds and went away looking better and feeling better than for many months.

"To our pride in the past, and our hope for the future, let us add vigorous work in the living present."

New York for Parker. ALBANY, N. Y.—The Democracy of New York favors the nomination for President of the United States that distinguished Democrat and eminent jurist of our own State, Alton Brooks Parker, and the delegates selected by this convention are hereby instructed to present and support such nomination at the approaching National Convention.

"That the said delegates are hereby instructed to act and vote as a unit in all matters pertaining to said convention in accordance with the will of the majority of the said delegates; and the said delegates are further authorized to fill any vacancies which may arise from any cause in said delegation in case of the absence of both the delegate and alternate."

Dr. Pariah Chairman. From the Globe-Democrat. M. E. Rhodes, of Potomac, member of the Republican State Committee for the 13th Congressional District, was in St. Louis yesterday on business. While here he stated that the Republicans of Washington county and of the 13th district generally were not actively discussing party politics with the exception of possible Republican gubernatorial candidates. Regarding the State Chairman to succeed T. J. Atkins Mr. Rhodes expressed a preference for Dr. J. C. Pariah, of Vandalia.

Dress Goods and Dry Goods of all kinds at reasonable prices. FREDERICKS & WILKINS.

## CHICAGO BANDIT ATTEMPTS SUICIDE

PETER NEIDERMEIER TWICE OPENS AN ARTERY AND DEVIATES A FEW MATCHES

HIS CONDITION IS VERY SERIOUS

Physicians, However, Believe That They Will Be Able to Save Him For the Gallows—Makes Second Attempt to Commit Suicide.

CHICAGO, April 18.—Peter Neidermeier, one of the car bandits, attempted to commit suicide in his cell early to-day, and not until he was unconscious from the effects of loss of blood was his condition noticed. He was taken at once to the jail hospital, and after much work he was revived. His condition is serious, but the physicians say his attempt will not prove fatal.

The heads of matches were eaten as one method by which the bandit attempted to cheat the gallows. The other was by opening an artery in his left arm. This was done by means of a lead pencil with which he tore a jagged wound in his wrist.

Guard John Koeder, passing Neidermeier's cell, saw him huddled on his cot with a blanket drawn over his head. A moan attracted his attention and when he attempted to arouse him proved fruitless he summoned Jailer Whitman and the cell was opened. Neidermeier was unconscious and his clothing and blanket were found soaked with blood, which was flowing from a ragged hole in his wrist. Other guards were summoned and he was taken to the jail hospital. The artery in his wrist was fastened. Then it was learned that he had attempted to poison himself. In his cell was found a quantity of matches from which he had eaten the heads and Jailer Whitman said that some of these probably had been smuggled to him by other prisoners.

MADE A SECOND ATTEMPT TO DIE. After being taken to the hospital Neidermeier made a second attempt on his life. He was lying apparently unconscious in the hospital under a guard's care. His right arm and hand were hidden by the bed clothing, and with hardly a discernible motion he slipped the bandage off his left arm and with his sharp finger nails tore away the threads in the wound and, inserting his forefinger into the ragged hole, he worked again at the veins and sought to reach an artery. He unconsciously uttered a groan and made a convulsive movement which attracted the attention of the physicians, nursing the guard, and on throwing back the coverlets, the attendants saw with horror that Neidermeier had torn away the bandages and reopened the wound. Neidermeier opened his eyes, and with a leering, smile explained: "Let me die, doc. Go away and let me die. You were almost too late the first time. Now why do you try to save my life? Neidermeier lost a large quantity of blood and was almost pulseless for a time. The most danger, however, is that the poisonous phosphorus has burned him so severely that his life cannot be saved for its final snuffing out on the gallows.

Wedding Rings. Are one of my specialties. My stock of plain gold rings is always complete in size and weight. I have the gold, broad oval and the 22 1/2 karat, English style. Special sizes and weights made to order. ENGRAVING FREE. Nothing but SOLID GOLD Rings, you know. Worrell, The Jeweler. South Side Square. Sign of Big Watch.

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## FLOWERS AT THE WORLD'S FAIR

Special Attention Given to the Scientific Culture of Roses, Violets and Carnations.

ST. LOUIS, April 18.—The horticulture feature of the World's Fair has been most liberally treated. The importance of the department is fully appreciated when the fact is considered that floriculture alone brings millions of dollars to florists of the United States. The sales of cut roses in the United States amounts to about \$6,000,000 a year; carnations, \$4,000,000; violets and chrysanthemums nearly \$1,000,000 each.

The World's Fair exhibits 75,000 rose bushes in full bloom during the summer, while in the big conservatory of the horticulture palace flowers of every land may be seen. In various gardens are growing the sweet jasmynes of the South, the cacti of the desert and everything in the flower kingdom from the tiny sweet violet to the big blooming sun flower.

In another section is the greatest floral clock ever constructed, its dial being 100 feet across. At night this floral beauty is illuminated by 1,000 incandescent lights while its 50-foot minute hand notes the passing hour.

A sunken garden 7000 feet long with its great masses of beautiful flower show. The wild garden, two acres in extent, on the western slope of Agricultural hill is a charming bit of natural beauty. The vastness of the flower garden will be more nearly appreciated when it is known that 30,000,000 flowering and foliage plants were used in the embellishment of the landscape.

A Dandy for Burns. Dr. Berzin, Paris, Ill., writes: "I have used Ballard's Snow Liniment; always recommended it to my friends, as I am confident there is no better remedy. 'It is a dandy for burns.' Those who live on farms are especially liable to have many accidental cuts, burns, bruises, which heal rapidly when Ballard's Snow Liniment is applied. It should always be kept in the house for cases of emergency." 25c, 50c, \$1.00 bottle.

OBSERVANCE OF THE SABBATH. Strong Plea For a Sabbath of Rest—Plea for General Observance of the Sabbath as a Day of Rest.

NEW YORK, April 18.—Plea for more general observance of the Sabbath as a day of rest for laboring men have been made at church services in Mendelssohn Hall. The principal speaker, Dr. William R. Huntington, of Grace church, declared that with the passing disregard of the Sabbath there is fostered great danger to the law-abiding citizens who formerly were the backbone of the nation. "We are ceasing," he said, "to be the law-abiding citizens we formerly were. To the American people it is not now a question of how one shall observe the day. The question is how we shall save the institution."

"There are two bonds holding together the Christian and the Jew, the Holy Bible and the Sabbath day. If one wants to preserve and keep these bonds we must keep the Sabbath as a reminder of the Almighty God."

"A day of rest is good for the workmen. Over 90 per cent of the railroad men west of the Mississippi do not have one. It seems as if it were safer for life and limb to be a murderer than to be a brakeman."

Of All Hot Weather Enemies the most dangerous is cholera. The worst treatment to be effective must be prompt. When vomiting, purging and sweat announce that the disease is present, combat it with Perry Davis' Pinkettes. All bowel troubles, like diarrhoea, cholera morbus and dysentery are overcome by Pinkettes.

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## TESTIMONY FROM LEADING DRUGGISTS

The following testimony speaks for itself. It is a matter of humanity to tell everybody with a skin disease about this medicine.

As astonishing quick and complete cures of all varieties of skin diseases by Dr. D. D. D. have been fully verified in one case out of every ten that have come under his observation. In every case it did its work in 3 to 6 weeks time. It is a medical triumph. In Bismarck, S. D., the skin. Its results are marvelous; some cases of years' standing were cleared away in a few days almost before our eyes.

We give this public acknowledgment in response to a request from Dr. D. D. D. as to our honest opinion of this medicine. We have no hesitations as to